

Fairs—1917

Big Parade Marks the Opening

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Large Number of Entries in Races and Exhibits

The opening of the Negro Farmer's Industrial State Fair at Muskogee, September 5th, was one of the greatest events in the history of Negro industrialism in the Southwest. Thousands of people passed through the gates and viewed the many different products placed on exhibit, and all expressed themselves as being highly pleased with the showing made and the skill used in making preparation for this great presentation of Negro art and talent.

The showing of livestock was one of the greatest made by Negroes anywhere in the United States, and showed that the farmers and stock raisers had learned that it was quality of their production that counted for their advancement along these lines which would make for them successful men in their different lines of occupation.

The art work placed on exhibition would stand the inspection of the most skilled critic of needlework.

Farm and garden products placed on exhibition represented some of the finest raised anywhere in the States and the canning showed that women of the race were among the most skilled anywhere to be found.

Governor Williams and other nobles addressed the many present and paid high tribute to members of the Fair Association and to all who worked for the uplift of the race. The Governor advised "The Back to the Soil" movement for the Negro and emphasized the fact that this made for the Negro better citizenship.

Several thousand persons lined the sidewalks on Broadway and South Second street this afternoon watching the big parade with which the Negro State Fair was formally opened. Approximately 2,000 persons were in the line which was more than a mile in length. The parade was to have started promptly at noon, but on account of a delay in getting the marchers together, the crowd was forced to wait until almost 2 o'clock before the vanguard of the parade appeared on Broadway.

Floats representing many of the towns in Oklahoma and wagons bearing fruits and grains raised by Oklahoma Negroes were alternated with autos, wagons and walking delegations of Negro visitors. Three bands lived up to the parade, and bunting, used profusely, added a touch of color.

Every town of any importance was represented in this great parade

which was headed by Rev. S. S. Jones, chief marshal of the parade, who was escorted by his four assistants. It was well said by some of the leaders of the race, that marshalling this great parade, Mr. Jones had built for himself a lasting monument that would withstand the assaults of time and the erosion of centuries.

Tulsa was well represented in this great affair and had more cars in the parade than any other town, besides Muskogee. The Tulsa cars and floats were artistically decorated by some of the most skilled decorators to be found anywhere in the state and was highly praised by those in line viewing the parade.

Tulsa's Queen of honor, Miss Dasy Williams, was spoken of in the highest terms of praise for the way in which her court received the many ovations tendered them all along the line of march. It was indeed a honor for Miss Williams to be so honored for the most coveted position among the fairer sex of this great fair.

This great fair will become a matter of history on September 8th and all will ever cherish the memory of the first Colored State Fair, held in Oklahoma.

It has been decreed by the Board of Directors that the next annual meeting be held in Tulsa, Okla., pre-crowds will be made in time for the next fair.

FOUR HUNDRED IN PARADE

Labor held sway in Tulsa Monday. Four hundred union men, dressed in overalls, shirts and caps furnished by the Hooker-Elliott store, made a splendid appearance in their parade shortly after noon.

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The Childress County Agricultural and Live Stock Fair, Sept. 25-28, at Childress; the Denton County Fair Association, at Sanger, Sept. 24-30; the Red River County Colored Fair, at Clarksville, Oct. 4-7, are due the acknowledgments of State Press for catalogues received. These enterprises are in line with S. P.'s platform—a county fair in every county. There are social and economic reasons why these expositions pay handsomely, not only in dollars and dimes, but in self-realization. The community which imagines it "cain't" do anything may be right about it. It certainly cain't if it doesn't try to, and if it doesn't try to it is a good sign that it cain't.

R. G. McADEN'S HASH

GREATEST FARM ENTHUSIASM IN HISTORY OF WARRENTON—NOTED WHITE MEN MAKE ADDRESSES—COL. "LINK" JOHNSON ELECTRIFIES THE BIG AUDIENCE.

Under the auspices of the Warren County Agricultural, Industrial and Educational Conference, held at the court house last Saturday, no greater crowd has ever assembled to honor and participate on an occasion which stood for moral, mental and financial uplift. The speakers looked upon a sea of faces, which were profoundly impressed as sane and conservative counsel burst forth from their lips. The response was wonderful, cheer after cheer rang out, as the various speakers appeared, spoke and left for another to come upon the scene.

Hon. R. V. Swain, county school commissioner, was pointed, witty and put himself on record as an ardent advocate for the complete elimination of ignorance. Close attention was given to every word, as he graphically advised the mastering and accumulation of whatever would fit in the scheme of useful and progressive citizenship.

Major C. E. McGregor, lover and friend of humanity, born aristocrat and one of the most independent thinkers in the state, strongly advised the production of abundant foodstuffs and the staying out of unnecessary debt. He insisted on a cow, hogs and a good garden being at the home of every farmer. The colored people look upon the major as their friend when in adversity and counsellor and well wisher in any stage of life.

Hon. C. V. Shirley, county farm demonstrator was explicit in a boll weevil talk. He made an urgent plea for diversified crops. He regretted the migration of colored people to other sections and was particularly impressive in utterances most favorable to Southern friendship. On this point he received many responses.

This over, Prof. W. R. Hudson, master of ceremonies, in a most polished way, introduced Georgia's "Link." When this name broke upon their ears the applause was long and powerful. Even the white people were generous and fair-minded enough to join in the demonstration, given as an ovation to the nation's most powerful orator—Henry Lincoln Johnson.

The speech carried with it force, sound advice and a manly, conservative plea for the manhood rights of the race. He appealed to the white man to apply the Golden Rule. He urged his race to contribute their full quota to this country in prosper-

ty or in trouble. He insisted on longer school terms and better school facilities. He said that communities would in many instances have to go down in their pockets and bring this advice to materialization. His climax in the conclusion brought out an ovation remarkable in volume and wonderful in length. Mr. S. J. Jones, one of the old pillars of the town, and Rev. Tucker made splendid talks and received deserved applause.

The meeting resolved itself into another form, out of which Warren County Fair Association emanated. Prof. W. R. Hudson was unanimously chosen president, J. H. Burns, secretary and C. C. Williams, treasurer. This corps of officials will bring honor to the city in their fair this fall. The people of the county are surrounding them and are in full accord with their leadership. Rev. H. H. Johnson, D. D., Felts Heath, C. C. Williams and T. E. Scott deserve credit for the creditable display of members and orators.

Col. "Link" Johnson and the writer were delightfully entertained at the beautiful home of Prof. and Mrs. W. R. Hudson.

The writer was guest of honor at a magnificent "High Tea Luncheon" given at the cozy suburban home of Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Brooks, last Sunday. Mr. W. F. Steele, the well known character and Fred Walton, one of the young business men of the city, made up the party, which lavishly feasted upon the palatable and various delicacies prepared by Madam Brooks. The home is one of Milledgeville's best. Everything that goes to make life comfortable and worth living is found there. Mr. Brooks is not only a foremost insurance magnet, but is an intelligent and enthusiastic farmer, believing in and owning the facilities and equipments of scientific farming. Our restaurant, recently opened by one of our class members, Mr. L. Z. O'Neal, at 168-B Auburn Ave. Everything clean, polite service. We shall look for you. Class installation at the home of Mrs. Eunice Peters, 108 Bisbee Ave., So. Atlanta, Ga., this month. We want you there.

Were you with us on last Sunday? An old time class session. Forty were present. You know the class slogan, fifty every Sunday. We need you to swell the number. Did you not enjoy the able instruction on the part of the teacher? It is a treat to hear him. We were pleased to have the school

superintendent, Mr. I. J. Jones, visit us. We are pleased to have Mrs. G. L. Bishop and Miss Bertha McWilliams with us again. Mr. Richard Moore, Mesdames Annie Kendrick and Priscilla Bell are somewhat improved today.

We would be pleased to welcome you to the class on Easter. "We are always glad to greet you."

N. E. WHITE, Teacher.

R. H. REEVES, Publicity.

FARM EXHIBITS SHOW PROGRESS

Most Encouraging Display at the

Annual Tidewater Agricultural Fair 1917.
Journal Guide

SPLENDID PROGRAM DAILY

Household Economies, Health Problems, Agricultural and Social Subjects Discussed

The Annual Fair conducted by the Tidewater Fair Association was held October 23, 24, 25, and 26, at the grounds owned by the association. Despite the coolness of the weather early Monday and Tuesday people of the city and county came in crowds with the best exhibits that have been shown during the existence of the fair. The domestic art and science, garden and farm products were all very creditable. In the art department there were specimens of the best embroideries, crocheting, knitting and weaving. In the science department there were cakes, pies, rolls and candies which showed the best culinary training.

Fine Canning Exhibits.

In the canning department there were specimens of every garden vegetable and every fruit which grows in this section of the country. The exhibits of farm products showed a marked improvement in the class of products exhibited as were shown a year or two ago. The fowl and stock

were specimens of the best in Tidewater. Aside from these exhibits there were many other attractions. The "merry-go-round" was there to delight the many children and old maids. The "needle king," "mysterious Maud," "a duck pond," "Jim the lodger," etc. The best of all were three foreign acrobats who gave two exhibitions daily and performed such daring feats that the crowds stood breathless during the acts, only afterwards to burst forth in applause.

Races Excellent.

The racing was conceded to be the very best in the history of the fair. This department is under the management of Mr. D. W. Lee, who spared no pains to get the best horses on the track. The Suffolk "Cornation" band and the "Excelsior" band of Portsmouth furnished excellent music during the entire fair. The crowds came every day. On Thursday fully 4,500 people entered the gates.

Fine Speaking Program

The program, conducted by Mr. W. H. Crocker, manager, was good on each day. Prominent among those who delivered forceful addresses were Commonwealth's Attorney S. E. Everette, of Suffolk; Miss Agnes Randolph, of the Anti-Tuberculosis Association, "Fresh Air, Food and Rest." Messrs. J. T. Reid, J. W. Ricks, T. L. G. Walden, C. W. Luke, Prof. J. B. Pierce, Prof. Paul Blandford, Dr. W. T. Fuller, Dr. D. A. Ferguson, Dr. D. W. Byrd, Rev. Alvin Russell on "Industrial Education;" Prof. W. T. B. Williams, of Hampton Institute "The Public Schools;" Selections, by the Hampton Quartette, Hon. John B. Pinner on "Thrift."

The Woman's Day Program was unusually good. Miss Mary A. Cross of Franklin, Va., gave a very excellent address on "Woman" which received much applause.

Miss Burroughs Speaks

Miss Nannie H. Burroughs, of Washington, was introduced to the audience by Mrs. Helen B. Hunter. Miss Burroughs' speech was the crowning feature of all of the programs. Miss Burroughs arose amid prolonged applause and said in part:

"I come to give encouragement to the county Fair movement because I realize what it means for my race to have creditable exhibitions that represent their skill and material

worth. There are people who do not believe that we can manage large enterprises successfully. We must make a success of every worthy enterprise because nearly all of the people in this country are "from Missouri." You ought to have here one of the finest fairs in the country for the reason that it will strengthen the race and will discredit the statement that Negroes cannot "put over" a first class effort of any proposition.

Must Come Up To Standard

We must make a reputation in this country for coming up to the excellent standard set for other Americans. Because we do not come up to the standard of excellence in affairs requiring initiative and executive ability people are wont to look upon us as a "problem."

Man's Chance Wanted

The sooner you teach the world that the Negro is not a "problem" but a "man" the sooner we are going to be given a man's chance in the race of life. My appeal to you is to enter every door of industry and do your work so well that other doors will be forced open by virtue of your efficiency. You can beat this fanatic race prejudice to a frazzle by giving the white man one better in deportment in keeping model homes and in rendering superior service and then folding up your hands and looking the world in the face and saying "because of my service I am worth a man's chance."

Negro's Worth Underestimated

Neither the Negro nor the white man has placed a correct estimate upon the Negro's worth to the country. But this civilization is doomed unless the moral and economical value of ten millions of people are taken into account. Drop the Negro to the bottom of this civilization and he will poison the streams just as surely as a man dropped into the reservoir of this city would poison the water running into every home.

Disease Knows No Color Line

The flies, mosquitoes,—pilgrims of the night that carry diseases, if allowed to breed in the segregated section will come up town just as sure as there are streets leading up there. The health of the white man is not safe unless the health of the Negro is safe.

Living Under Two Standards

We have lived long enough under two standards, one for the Negro and one for whites. What the country needs is one standard and all races given proper encouragement in their efforts to come up to it.

Duty Of Race in World War.

We are now in the midst of a great war that is going to usher in a new day for all races. We must be as willing to pour out our blood for this freedom as we were for the freedom that was ushered in as a result of the civil war. In fact this war cannot be won without our men and without our money and I beg you to offer both freely. This contribution will clinch your claim to justice and equal opportunity when the smoke of battle shall have been cleared away. Be it known that we shall not content ourselves with anything less than equal opportunity to earn our bread and give expression through the ballot to the high ideals for which a true democracy must stand."

Mr. W. H. Crocker and the officers of the Tidewater Fair Association deserve much credit for making the fair a success, both from an educational and industrial standpoint.

HELEN B. HUNTER

**RED RIVER COUNTY
COLORED FAIR BIGGEST
AND BEST IN HISTORY**
Dallas Express 10/13/11
**MANY NOTABLE FEATURES
SPEAK PROGRESS AND PROSPERITY AMONG NEGROES OF
NORTHEAST TEXAS.**

Clarksville, Texas, Oct. 10.—With ideal weather, big crowds each day, exciting races, extensive exhibits, numerous concessions and shows, when the lights went out at the fair grounds Saturday night, the seventh annual Red River County Colored Fair, J. W. Jamison, president was acknowledged to have been the biggest and best.

Rev. J. H. Branham, pastor of Zion Traveler Baptist church, which was entertaining the Zion Baptist District Association and the officers and messengers of the Association attended the fair in a body Saturday afternoon. This action on the part of the association showing appreciation of the biggest Colored fair in Texas, won for it the unstinted

approval of the white people of Clarksville.

Hon. W. E. King, editor of The Dallas Express was one of the conspicuous figures during the fair. While here he was the guest of Mr. L. B. Brownrigg. The address of Hon. W. F. Bledsoe, Grand Master of the United Brothers of Friendship and Sisters of Mysterious Ten, was easily the feature of the educational program of the fair.

Messrs. Ford and Woods of the United States agricultural extension work gave much valuable assistance to the fair officials in Judging the live stock and farm products. Their addresses to the farmers, who were out in numbers from every section of this portion of the state, were well worth the price of admission to the grounds and Mrs. Hunter's lecture and demonstration proved very near as much interest to the men as to the women. Hon. R. L. Smith, in charge of the work for the Department among the Colored people of Texas, was unable to be present account of convocation.

Paris and Lamar counties were well represented. The Paris schools had a large delegation headed by Prof. E. W. Bailey, Misses M. Titus, Pearl Davis, Gertrude Taylor and Helen Littlejohn, Hon. Geo. M. Guernsey, Mrs. Boswell and Bell and numerous others of Paris, prominent citizens were visitors and complimented the fair officials.

Dr. G. U. Jamison, president of the Four States' Fair, and Dr. J. C. Toles, druggist headed the Texarkana delegation.

The races on Friday and Saturday attracted large crowds of white people. S. C. Scales, T. H. Houston, Ed Thomas, Sam Richie, Early J. Barry, A. Greer and W. D. Denton had their horses entered and helped in every way to make the fair a success. Mr. Jack Patrick was general Superintendent of live stock and grounds.

The Fair officials are all smiles. Dr. H. C. Wallace, vice-president and Prof. L. M. Becton, secretary, though young men, proved their ability to handle the big crowds and adjust all the different matters that came up. They relieved President Jamison of much work and by their kind courteous treatment to the public established a new name for themselves.

The directors of the fair are: J. W. Jamison, H. C. Wallace, M. D.; L. M. Becton, G. M. Munchus, M. D.; P. L. Latimer, R. W. Reeves, Henry Bowers, N. A. Eastland, G.

W. Martin, A. P. Walthall, W. S. Bagby, Henry R. Griggs, J. P. Phillips and D. A. Fisher, Sam Edwards and M. J. Dyer.

The publicity for the fair and the concessions were handled by Harrison M. Gillean of the Standard Life Insurance Company, who has spent some little time in this territory assisting Prof. J. W. Jamison, the local agent for the Company. Prof. W. F. Mills has been of invaluable assistance to Secretary Becton and President Jamison in the fair accounting and Miss Mary E. Jamison, Mrs. Nina A. Griggs, Mrs. A. M. Tyler, Miss Irene Woodson, Mrs. L. A. Wallace, Mrs. L. J. Walker and Mrs. B. J. Reeves, Mrs. E. Scales, Mrs. S. Johns, Mrs. L. M. Becton, Mrs. P. Duty, Mrs. T. Brownrigg, Mrs. Racheal Smith looked after the exhibits and decorations.

WESTERN CAROLINA FAIR AT GREENSBORO

Journal & Guide
Greensboro, N. C.—The second annual fair of the Western Carolina Association, to be held at the Negro Agricultural and Technical College will begin on the 20th and continue for three days thereafter. Although the association is in its infancy and differs materially from other fairs in that it is void of the commercial features, indications point strongly to its being one of the most potent factors in the educational and social uplift in Western Carolina.

The association is headed by Dr. James B. Dudley, President of the Negro Agricultural and Technical College, with Prof. J. H. Bluford, Director of the Agricultural Department, as its Secretary. Dr. A. J. Griffin, President of the High Point Normal and Industrial School, is Vice President, and Mr. Frank Couch, of Durham, Treasurer. The Executive Committee follows: Messrs James Kelly, W. R. Motley, M. E. Crews, M. C. Powell, J. W. Curry, J. W. Foushee, Calvin Cobb, Henry Davis, J. B. Shaw, J. H. Biglow, Fred Cruchfield, A. Waddington, M. S. Scales, S. M. Rogers, John Russell and Revs. S. G. Walker and M. C. McLaughlin.

Hundreds of people viewed the creditable exhibits last year and more than \$200 were paid in premiums. A bigger and better fair is staged for this year. Among the outside attractions featuring will be the great football game between A. and T. and Bennett College Thanksgiving Day.

Fairs — 1917
The Louisville Courier-Journal
THE MOHAWK WINS
 Signal Honors Won by Local Breeder of Fancy Fowls.



FRANK R. WILLIS
 —Breeder of—
DARK CORNISH



MOHAWK,

Unbeaten hero of many shows known from coast to coast, world's heaviest male and foundation of Mohawk Strain.

Frank R. Willis, with his Mohawk Strain of Dark Cornish fowls won the highest honor in the Dark

Cornish class at the State Fair this week, scoring thirty-seven points, twelve more than any other breeder, establishing without doubt the supremacy of his fowls. Mohawk, Collusus, Big Jim, Lady McBeth, and Lace Wing are the winners in the class of old birds; Miss Frayne, Feather Fleece and O'Boots were winners among the season's hatch. Mr. Willis made several nice sales. Big Jim and his mate were sold to E. K. Hatch, of Boston, Mass.; Mohawk and his mate to Geo. E. Woodruff, and Mr. Peter Lee Atherton secures the service of several hens and O'Boots for the winter season. The above mentioned sales along with hundreds of eggs and stock at fancy prices closes a most successful season, and establishes beyond a doubt the ability of the race to make good at scientific poultry breeding.

Besides the high scoring of his birds, he won three out of the five first prizes offered, the Gold Special, offered by State Board of Agriculture, and a hot contender for first honors for best bird in entire show.

The classes of Dark Cornish were the best ever shown in the South. Birds from the yards of C. H. Smith, T. D. Moore and J. Hazlett, leading American breeders and high officials in the American Cornish Club, were shown by local breeders, and Mr. Willis' victory over them was indeed something for all the buyers and owners of the Mohawks to feel proud of.

STATE FAIR.

Negroes Urged to Make a Creditable Showing—Commissioner Porter's Effective Work.

Reports come to the Standard Sentinel office that a decision on the part of the Metropolitan Realty Company, of Ocala, to make a big exhibit of the Ocala Knitting Mills, one of their big industries, at the State Fair and Exposition, which will open next February, is hailed with much delight on the part of leading colored business men all over the State. Those who know the president and manager of this mill, Mr. George Giles, and the sturdy business men who are associated with him feel that success will loom up big. Efforts are being made to have other industries managed and owned by colored men in Florida to be on exhibition at this fair.

Commissioner Rev. A. C. Porter, representing the Negro Department of the State Fair is doing some hard work in visiting sections of the State where our people are mostly settled, lecturing and distributing literature in the interest of the Fair. The management of the Fair very much desires that the colored people of the State make a creditable showing at the Exposition.

The Standard-Sentinel has always concurred in any public enterprise wherein the Negro may possibly have an opportunity to exhibit his handiwork, growing out of his brain and brawn.

There is no reason why, none whatever, that colored men engaged in agricultural pursuits, mechanics, artisans of all descriptions, commercial ventures, schools and colleges, especially those operating industrial departments, inventors, no matter how simple the invention, fancy work, such as the needle, crochet and embroidery should not have an exhibition at the fair, exhibits of the kind and character enumerated above.

Commissioner Porter has our hearty co-operation in his efforts to make the Negro department representative and creditable in every way.

**MUSKOGEE OKLA. PHOENIX
 SEPTEMBER 4, 1917**

NEGRO FAIR OPENS.

The Negro Fair opens today with many attractive and interesting features ready for the enjoyment and educational advantage of the many thousands of negroes who are pouring into the city and many more are expected on every train on all roads entering the city. Dr. R. H. Waterford, General Manager reported that every detail for the opening of the Fair had been completed, and that the gates would be thrown open at 8 a. m. today.

The most interesting feature in today's program is the racing card. The racing department is under the efficient management of Dr. H. D. Pettiford, who by profession and experience has a wide knowledge of horse racing. The following horses, most of whom have a record not only on the Muskogee track, but upon tracks elsewhere. Among them can be named in the first case: County Trot or Pace for untrained horses; half mile heats, purse \$50.00.

1. Maud, brown, mare driven by

Jno. Irvin.
 2. Show Girl, sorrel mare, driven by Wm. Green.
 3. Maggie McHawk, brown mare, driven by Pettiford.
 4. Pet, sorrel mare, driven by T. Grayson.

Second Race, 2:35 trot; purse \$150.
 1. Miss Muskogee, bay mare, driven by J. T. Thompson.
 2. Mark Cochran, bay horse, driven by Max Viscara.
 3. Miss Folks, bay mare, driven by Wm. Green.
 4. Sim Benton, brown gelding, driven by Callaway.

5. Vick B, sorrel horse, driven by Pettiford.
 6. Skeeter, bay mare, driven by E. Rittager.

7. Commodore H, brown gelding, driven by John Irvin.

Third Race, 2:30 Pace; purse \$150.
 1. Lilly Hall, gray mare, driven by Pettiford.

2. Miss Tresspasse, bay mare, driven by T. M. Barnes.

3. Dibleon, black stud, driven by F. Huntington.

4. Kewana Girl, black mare, driven by Max Viscara.

Yesterday afternoon a band of 105 full blooded Seminole Indians arrived in Muskogee to take part in the program to be rendered each day during the Fair. This afternoon these Indians will give an exhibition of their characteristic games, especially an old fashioned Indian ball game. At night they will appear in full Indian costume and render the famous stomp and shell dance. Every man, woman and child, white or colored, in the city are cordially invited to attend during the opening day. The grand industrial parade will occur at 10:00 a. m., Wednesday and this spectacle under the management of the Rev. S. S. Jones is expected to eclipse every similar event ever pulled off in Oklahoma.

**R. H. WATERFORD, M. D.,
 Vice President-General Manager.
 NEGRO PRIZE WINNERS IN
 NORTH CAROLINA.**

Herman Peebles, of Raleigh, N. C., Route 6, Box 60, won first prize in the Negro Boys' Farm Clubs contest for 1916—a \$50 scholarship in the A. and T. College at Greensboro. This prize was given by the A. and T. Alumni Association for the best record in the Corn Club work of the State. Peebles produced 104 bushels of corn at a cost of 22 cents per bushel. His report showed that the land had a fine crop of crimson clover, which was turned under in the late spring. The land was broken 8 inches deep and thoroughly prepared. It

was fertilized with cottonseed meal and acid phosphate, mixed in equal parts. Improved Prolific corn, bred by his father was used. The second prize, which was given by the A. and T. College, is a \$40 scholarship in the A. and T. College. This prize was won by Braxton Brewing, of Mount Olive, Wayne County, who produced 120 bushels at a cost of 38 cents per bushel. 4/12/17.

The third prize, a high-grade Jersey calf, was given by the A. and T. College to Shadie Lemon, of Columbus County, who grew 92 2-3 bushels at a cost of 33 cents per bushel.

A setting of eggs from pure-bred hens was won by Lottie Love, of Alamane County. A trio of pure-bred poultry, given by the A. and T. College, goes to Lila and Mattie Chandler, of Alamance County, for growing 500 chickens at a greater profit than any girls in the whole State.

NEGRO FAIR HERE IS

CREDIT TO WORKERS

**OKSON, MISS. NEWS
 OCTOBER 31, 1917**

Strictly a Showing of Race's Progress, It Draws Good Crowds.

Divested of all trimmings and amusement features, and standing strictly on its merits as a first class and commendable exposition of agricultural, industrial and educational progress, the Mississippi Negro State Fair for 1917, is attracting a large patronage of the men and women of that race, while quite a number of well-known and liberal minded white people, men and women, have entered the gates and gone through the grounds and buildings.

Owing to the stringency of the times in which they live, the management decided to eliminate the "dike" and extraneous features, and make their display and gathering this year strictly educational and demonstrative; a showing of what has been accomplished during the past year, and also what lies before them for accomplishment.

The three best known negro institutions for higher education in Mississippi, including Alcorn College, at Rodney, Utica Normal Institute, under A. N. Holtzclaw, and Tougaloo University, with the practical economic side of their activities strongly emphasized, with the literary side given secondary place.

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Raleigh Independent
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**SHREVEPORT LA TIMES
OCTOBER 26, 1917
NEGROES HAVE DAY AT
BOSSIER PARISH FAIR**

The crowd at the Bossier parish fair was smaller than usual Thursday on account of the rain, there being very few from Shreveport on the grounds. A larger crowd is expected Friday, however, as that is negro day and there will be interesting attractions for both white and black races.

All the exhibits, that have been shown during the first three days will be shown the last day of the fair also, and these will be supplemented by many interesting educational, agricultural and domestic exhibits by the negroes of Bossier and Caddo parishes.

The negroes have a good program planned for the entertainment of the visitors and a large attendance from Shreveport is expected.

THE MIDDLE GEORGIA FAIR.

The white people of Macon extend their best wishes to their colored fellow citizens who are behind the Middle Georgia Fair, which was thrown open yesterday to the general public at Central City Park.

An attractive program of entertainments has been arranged, and the display of home and farm products reflects the highest credit upon those who have arranged it. The Georgia negroes—and of course the same may be said of the whites—are not always above reproach, and some of their leaders occasionally make a severe drain upon the patience of the most cordial of their well-wishers.

But taken in the mass, they are entitled to special commendation and have done much to win the respect of the world.

They have prospered this year as they never have before, and there is not a right-thinking man in all the South who does not take a special pride and pleasure in the fact. They have raised abundant crops; they have received higher wages than ever before. They have been able to put money in the bank and to buy automobiles to such an extent that it is generally commented upon.

In working out their general welfare, and in acquiring the education which will best fit them for the struggle of life, they have taken long strides forward. The future opens before them more invitingly than ever before.

And this Middle Georgia Fair may well be regarded as one of the most convincing evidences of all this. The very spirit which initiated it is entitled to the warmest commendation, even if it had been less successful in concrete results than it is. Merely the holding of the fair would give evidence of a desire to improve themselves.

But as a matter of fact the fair is, on its merits, highly creditable. It stands out as a visible evidence of what the negro has done and can do.

The News bespeaks for it a large attendance, and trusts that great good may result from it along every line which it undertakes to encourage.

Chicago Defender
**Lincoln Institute Captures
5 Blue Ribbons at State Fair**

Sedalia, Mo., Oct. 5.—At the state fair, held Sept. 22-29, Lincoln institute had an excellent exhibit of its various departments which elicited much praise.

It was especially gratifying to the Race visitors to see the exhibit of Lincoln institute receiving as much commendation and consideration as the exhibits of the other state normal schools. Five first prizes and one second prize were awarded, showing the high-grade efficiency placed on the work done at Lincoln.

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**COUNTY FAIR HELD
AT MOUND BAYOU**
(Special to THE NEW YORK AGE.)

MOUND BAYOU, Miss.—The colored County Fair held at Mound Bayou was well attended and proved successful in every way. The fair was under the management of Jake Parker, county demonstration agent, who was ably assisted by E. O. Powell, Miss Winnie Watt, county representative of the Annie T. Jeans Fund; J. W. Francis, Chas. Banks, J. A. Powell, Aaron Marr, L. W. Wilbert, B. T. Green, T. S. Morris and others.

Live stock produce, canned goods and needlework formed the greater part of the exhibits. On Wednesday, the second day of the fair, the public was addressed by Mrs. Mohlenlof, secretary of the Red Cross headquarters at Cleveland. On Thursday, the last day of the fair, Hon. T. S. Owen of Cleveland, one of the leading attorneys and big hearted citizens of Mississippi, addressed the public upon vital issues.

Mr. Owen urged the colored people to give their united support to the agricultural high school, recently established for the colored people, and located at Mound Bayou. Along with Mr. Owen came Prof. I. K. Eckles of the agricultural high school for the whites, at Cleveland; J. M. F. Gray, editor of the Bolivar Commercial, and H. O. Jones, county agricultural agent.

Hon. I. T. Montgomery delivered a forceful and appropriate speech in introducing Mr. Owen. The Baptist College, Prof. P. M. Smith, president, and the Mound Bayou Normal Institute, Prof. F. M. Roberts, principal, rendered splendid music for the occasion. Among the ladies who assisted in making the fair what it was were: Mrs. Katie Bedford, Mrs. C. E. Walker, Mrs. I. H. Cosey, Mrs. T. O. Banks, Mrs. V. C. Covington, Mrs. E. P. G. Francis, Mrs. M. R. Montgomery, Mrs. M. C. Booze, Mrs. Mamie L. Taylor, rs. P. S. Williams, Mrs. Ida B. Creswell, Mrs. M. E. Williams, and Mrs. P. H. Smith.

**WASHINGTON D C STAR
AUGUST 24, 1917
FARMERS HAVE HORSE SHOW.**

Colored Agriculturists Exhibit Animals at Colesville, Md.

The colored farmers of northern Maryland held their seventh annual horse and colt show Wednesday on the farm of Charles T. Hill of Colesville, Md. It is estimated that more than 4,000 persons were present. The number of entries in each class was considerably more than in previous years.

The principal events, the six and four horse teams, brought out nine entries, and were won by George R. Snowden. Single, double, coach, general utility, saddle and jumping horses also competed.

The next demonstration of the colored farmers of this vicinity in their agricultural and stock competitions will be held on Labor Day at Manassas, Va. It is planned to have experts from the Department of Agriculture and the bureau of food control demonstrate farm and food economies and distribute instructive literature concerning these activities.

**ATTENDANCE AT RED
RIVER FAIR REACHES
INTO THOUSANDS.**

Clarksville, Texas, Oct. 4.—Thousands of Colored people thronged the streets of Clarksville today, visitors to the Zion Baptist Association and to the Seventh Annual Red River County Colored Fair. The parade this morning marked the opening of the fair, which is held at the white fair grounds. The exhibition hall is filled with exhibits, not only of the people of Clarksville and Red River County, but of adjoining counties.

J. W. Jamison, the president and general manager of the fair is without doubt the biggest Negro in this section of Texas. The fair is largely the result of his personal work and the worth while support it receives from the white people is largely personal tribute to his high standing. The cooperation he receives from the Colored people of the town and the county is evidence of the confidence they impose in him. For a number of years he was connected with educational affairs in this State, he is widely known, but more so because he is Grand Treasurer of the U. B. F. and S. M. T.

Dr. H. C. Wallace, vice-president, Prof. L. M. Becton, secretary and G. W. Martin of Annona, treasurer, give Prof. Jamison loyal support. Prof. F. M. Mills, while not officially connected with the fair is secretary to Mr. Jamison and upon him rest the details of the fair management.

The fair has been of material benefit to this section and has the hearty support of the Farmers' Improvement Society, which is strong in this section.

Colored People Will Hold Horse Show

The colored people of Manassas are planning to have a big time at their horse show which will be held in Manassas on Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 3. The association announces that it will have but one day of the show this year, and every effort is being put forth to make that one day an enjoyable one. A number of good horses are reported entered and some attractive prizes are offered.

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COLORED FOLK DEMONSTRATE ACHIEVEMENTS OF EFFORTS TOWARD ECONOMIC FREEDOM

ST. SMITH ARK STHWST AMES
OCTOBER 12, 1917

The colored population of Fort Smith and its immediate vicinity Thursday afternoon, in a monster street parade, demonstrated not only by force of numbers, but by the banners they carried and by their own stalwart bearing and enthusiastic marching, the fact that the negroes of the south, and especially of this section, are in the very forefront of all those movements which are working irresistibly for the advancement of civilization and humanity.

The parade was the longest, and perhaps had more marchers in line, than has yet been shown during centennial week, and doubtless will be eclipsed in this respect only by the big pageant of the white fraternal organizations Friday. Hundreds of men, women and particularly children were in the line of march, afoot, on horseback and in automobiles, and the head of the procession was counter-marching at Garrison and Seventh as the last cars turned into the avenue at Ninth, giving the parade a total length of 12 blocks, in close formation.

There were on the streets to watch the parade the largest crowd of spectators that has yet witnessed a pageant, and the marchers were cordially cheered and applauded by the crowds. There were two bands, in addition to several individual drummers to aid the marchers in keeping step. A feature of particular interest was the band of women Red Cross workers, and especially interesting was the big delegation of school children—boys and girls, attired in their best, who proudly stepped along, waving their flags and frequently singing their school songs.

Many of the marchers carried banners, telling of the many accomplishments of the race in the past century or more, calling attention to the advancement made in education and the sciences and arts, and mentioning that the negro has always done his "bit" with the fighting forces of the nation, since its very foundation—and even before the Revolutionary war.

In its entirety, the parade was a credit not only to the colored people, but to the community and nation as well. The men and the women by their very appearance made plain that the negroes have advanced far from the days when their one field endeavor was laboring, the men on the farms and the women in the households. They have entered every field of life work now, and have prospered and progressed, through the hearty spirit of understanding and co-operation with their white neighbors and friends. Tribute to them for their achievements was tendered freely

ly by the white folk who saw the parade, in the frequent applause given them along the line of march.

NEGRO FARMERS GET ADVICE OF MANESS

MACON, GA. TELEGRAPH

NOVEMBER 18, 1917

Field Agent for State Board of Entomology Talks to the Negroes at the Colored Fair.

Big Jubilee Singing, in Which 1,000 Children Are to Take Part Is Feature for Today.

"I have been in every county in Georgia, and without a single exception where I have found a negro living on his own farm he white folks in the community have told me that he is a good citizen, that he has a clean home, his boys don't get in trouble and his girls don't go astray," declared J. C. Maness, field agent for the State Board of Entomology, in his address at the Middle Georgia Colored Fair yesterday. Mr. Maness came to Macon yesterday at the invitation of B. S. Ingram, president of the Colored Fair Association, and made an address to the visitors at the fair. Many negro farmers listened attentively to his address, and many asked him questions about farm problems.

He complimented the Bibb County exhibit, and stated that the exhibits this year show marked improvement over those shown last year. He spoke of modern ways, and the disposition of the negro to imitate the white man, but said that he should pick out the good things to imitate. "I wish we had more of the old plantation negroes," he declared. "He is one of the good things out of the past that you would do well to imitate."

Keep Homes Clean.

In speaking of vice among the negro race, Mr. Maness urged the negroes to keep their homes clean and free from immorality. "Let every man have his own wife, and let them be the father and mother of their own children," he said. "If you have good homes and good Christian schools, it will keep your people in the South, where they belong, and there will be no lynching. Lynching is a disgrace, but get good homes and schools and your sons will never have a hang rope around their necks."

Referring to farmers he pictured the good farmer and the shabby farmer—the farm kept in order and the one of briars, gullies and rotten fences. "It is swapping dollars," he said, "to come to town and sell cotton and haul a load of meat, hay and corn back home to feed the poor old horse."

Two Years on Farms.

"I have spent two years in the fields of Georgia with 'Billie' Boll Weevil," he said, "and I have found that cotton can be grown where the boll weevil is, and

in many cases the weevil has proved a blessing." He said that the Board of Entomology had test farms in seventy counties in the State this year, and that not a single failure was reported. He recommended the planting of wilt-resistant cotton, and said that where the crops are properly rotated the weevil was not to be feared.

"Get rid of the nematode worm which destroys the roots of the plants," he said. "This little insect is called the 'boll weevil submarine,' and the ammunition with which he is fought is composed of velvet beans, iron and brown cowpeas and peanuts. These plants are immune from the deadly little worm. A crop of cotton was raised this year in Dougherty County where the boll weevil appeared for the first of June, and on fifteen acres of land which had previously been planted in peanuts, fifteen bales of cotton was produced in the presence of the boll weevil. Fifty per cent of the cotton on the same land died the year before from black root."

"Diversify," His Appeal.

"Don't grow all cotton, but try to do better with the acreage planted in it. The Board of Entomology stands for a reduction of cotton acreage one-half to two-thirds with the rest of the land planted in corn and velvet beans. Instead of planting three acres in cotton and making one bale, you can plant one acre and make one bale just the same, and have the other land in these food products."

The speaker pointed out that last year Georgia spent \$15,000,000 for meat, \$2,000,000 for butter and \$1,000,000 for eggs produced out of the State, and declared that Georgia should have produced that \$18,000,000 worth of foodstuff and sold at least that much to other parts of the country.

Mr. Maness was asked questions by many of the negro farmers present and promised to assist them with any advice or information which they asked. He left last night for Atlanta.

Folklore Songs.

Today the feature of the Colored Fair will be the folklore songs of Roscoe Simmons, of Louisville. He will also make an address in the park auditorium.

B. S. Ingram, president of the Georgia Colored Fair Association, yesterday afternoon requested the Telegraph to extend to the white people of Macon an invitation to the jubilee singing and other events that the negroes will put on at the State Fair Grounds in Central City Park, beginning at 2 o'clock this afternoon. There will be a chorus of 1,000 negro voices from the schools of Bibb County at this jubilee singing. The singers are reported to be well trained. The program appears elsewhere in this issue. Automobile races will be put on the program Monday.

After the most successful season in the history of the Colored Peoples' Central Fair, Dublin, Ga., it closed on November 10, mid a storm of absolute satisfaction and a financial wonder. *Atlanta Independent*

Thirty-five thousand people passed through the gates during its six days. Several hundred school children were admitted free. *Nov. 24, 1917.*

The numerous and varied exhibits demonstrated what the farmers and their wives of Laurens County and of the Twelfth Congressional District are doing to live at home and aid in furnishing food for the struggling defenders of our country across the waters.

The live stock was of a superior kind and showed marked improvement among our people. The mules, Jersey cows, high class poultry and best breed of hogs were living evidences that Negroes are buying the

best, raising the best, and have abandoned the best colored farmers in the county, and of the leading white business

The handicraft, needle and fancymen of Dublin, and his associated are work department in the woman's department, attracted and captivated the eyes of white and colored. Mrs. D. W. Wood and Mrs. Rachel Wells, who had charge of this building, were kept busy showing and explaining the arts and wonders of their charge. In this work they were courteous and made personal friends and fair friends for 1918.

The midway had thirty attractions; and from one amusement and exciting pleasure to another did the big crowd roam.

H. J. Banks, the owner of six shows was there. His marvelous attractions made him famous in the 12th Congressional District, and proved conclusively that a colored man can manage big shows. Associated with him was Fred M. Elyart, both of Decatur, Ala. Mr. Elyart is a high class magician and highly educated.

The high mark of exhibits at the fair is fine argument what the race is capable of doing when led and urged by efficient minds.

Every exhibitor appeared to be inspired by racial pride, by county interest and not by greed for premiums.

It was a matter of contributing the best and maintaining the unparalleled reputation of Laurens County. It was an opportunity to demonstrate Negro co-operation, ability and thrift and they measured up to their full share in building a standard unsurpassed.

Five Hundred dollars in cash premiums were given to those whom the judges decided in favor of, and their's was a difficult job, because all were good.

Among the highest premiums Mack Adams carried away laurels for hogs, mules, poultry and a half dozen other things. Mrs. Lillie Morris, of near Sandersville, received thirty dollars for fancy work; Miss Carrie Hurst, Miss Selvage, Mrs. Fannie Fuller and a host of them were presented checks for efficiency.

Be it said to the credit of Dr. E. D. Newsome, that his master mind, unconquerable will power and knack for making friends launched this fair, succeeding from the beginning. This year, he was backed by Prof. W. L. Hughes, president; Prof. E. L. Hall, secretary; Wm. Selvage, T. W. Wood, Jas. Childers, H. G. Hurst, Mr. Roland, B. B. Butler, Rev. W. R. McClendon, Mack Adams, Freeman Hill, Adam McCloud, the Widow Hurst, J. I. Clark, Sam G. Hurst and a host of other big land owners and scientific farmers.

Dr. Newsome holds the respect of

NEGRO SCHOOLS HAVE INTERESTING EXHIBITS

Southern University And Other
Industrial Schools Have Booths

At State Fair
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1917

The Louisiana State Fair is plainly an institution for the negroes of the state as well as any other race, and whatever we as a race can do to further the interest of any enterprise of the great state in which we live we can be counted on to do our best," said Dr. J. S. Clark, president of the Southern University, who is at the fair superintending the educational division of the negro department. The negroes are exhibiting agricultural, educational, industrial and fine arts products.

Southern University's booth has in it a large collection of agricultural products representing all varieties of crops grown on the college farm. These are attractively arranged and make a good appearance. The home economics department under the supervision of the domestic science teacher of the university is, perhaps, the most attractive exhibit in the building. The cases are filled with all kinds of cooked foods and various kinds of canned goods put up by the students. The walls are decorated with plain and fancy sewing done in the sewing class.

The blacksmithing department, broom making, engineering and mechanical departments of the school are well represented. The mechanical department has on exhibition an automobile which was rebuilt in their shops.

Many parishes have agricultural exhibits of produce raised under the supervision of the Southern University, through its demonstration agents. In these booths are to be found some of the best agricultural products of the state.

In the educational division of the university's department Caddo public schools, Alexandria public schools, Crowley public schools, Sabine Industrial School, Mansfield Industrial School and many other schools are represented. The work of these schools demonstrates the advancement of the negroes of the state along industrial lines.

The most attractive exhibit of canned goods in the building is the line of canned goods put up by the rural negro schools of the state.

High premiums are being awarded to the exhibitors in every section of the negro building, which has been visited by thousands of people, including the governor and other leading men of the state, who say the exhibits are worthy of the consideration of every visitor at the State Fair.

T. W. BRYAN, CHAIRMAN NEGRO DAY CELEBRATION ISSUES A CALL TO THE COLORED PEOPLE OF COUNTY

Stop! Let us call your attention to one of the greatest occasions in the history of the colored people of this beautiful city and prosperous county.

Friday, November 23, 1917, has been designated "Negro Day" at the Alachua County Fair and extensive preparations have been made in order that the day in question may prove to be highly pleasant and exceedingly profitable. Not only to those who may be fortunate enough to be in attendance, but to every one who is interested in the fullest development of every interest of our educational, mechanical, agricultural and industrial welfare.

Rev. J. A. Gregg, A. M., D. D., the efficient president of Edward Waters College, and one of the best orators of the race, will deliver the main address on "Negro Day" and we look forward to his coming with interest and pleasure for we are confident he will bring to us a message of truth and power—helping all who avail themselves of the opportunity of hearing him.

A great choral class will render sweet music and songs for the occasion.

Prof. E. R. Simmons, county superintendent of education, has kindly given this day to the colored teachers and children of the county in order that they may attend the fair and learn a great lesson not always found in books. All school children will be admitted free to fair grounds during the day of the 23d upon tickets furnished by the Fair Association. These free tickets will not be good for admission to the fair grounds at night.

Being keenly mindful of the interests of the colored people, the Fair Association has erected a beautiful building (40x60 feet) to be known as "Negro Building" and to be used exclusively for the exhibits and comfort of our people. While most of our exhibits will be in our own building it does not mean that our exhibits will be passed upon separately when comes to awarding prizes or premiums for every prize or premium will be awarded upon merit and will receive the same impartial consideration which other exhibits will receive.

The fair this year gives us a glorious opportunity to show to the world that we have been keeping step to the drum tap of progress and that we "have made good" along every line of honest and faithful endeavor and that we are willing and ready to attest this fact by the splendid exhibits we expect to make. Send your live stock, poultry, fancy work, canned goods, industrial work and every other work of art and industry to the fair.

The following persons have been appointed as superintendents of the exhibits named below:

Educational Exhibit—Mrs. Bessie M. Brown, Miss Ada Speight, Mrs. Cecelia Green.

Flower Exhibit—Mrs. Jennie E. Rowe.

Domestic Science—Miss Bessie M. Carrison.

Red Cross Booth—Mrs. Charles W. Daval.

Industrial Exhibit—E. W. Bart, C. W. Daval.

Agricultural Exhibit—S. H. Hendley, Sr., H. C. Williams.

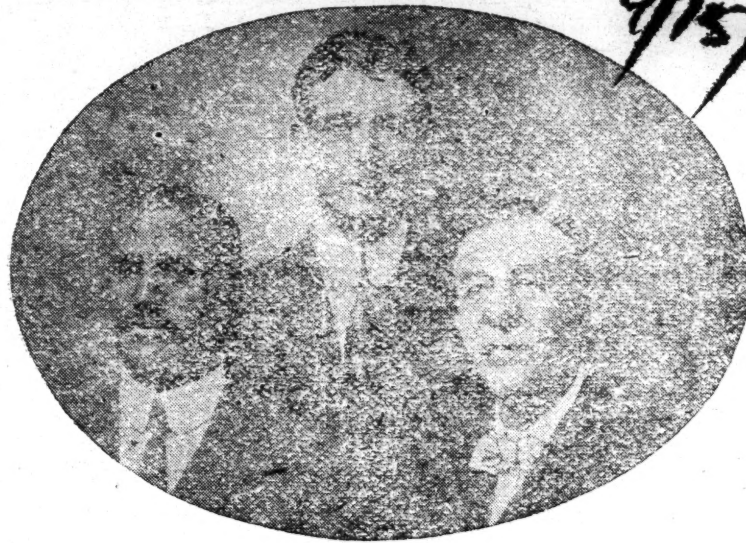
Live Stock Exhibit—Elvia Days, L. C. Haile.

Everybody is requested to co-operate with the superintendents and help to make the occasion a mammoth success. Many persons of prominence from all parts of Florida are expected to be in attendance. Let your slogan be "Meet me at the fair Negro Day." Come, hear the speaking. Come, enjoy the singing. Come, meet your friends and make new ones. Come, see the fine exhibits and spend a pleasant day at the fair.

T. W. BRYAN,
Chm. Com. of Arrangements

**Red River County
Houston Colored Fair**
The Red River County Colored Fair will hold forth in Clarksville, Texas, October 4 to 6, 1917. There will be carnival features, horse racing, baby show and other exhibits. A day has also been set aside for the ex-slaves. Hon. W. F. Bledsoe, Sr., Marshall, and Dr. T. E. Speed, Jefferson, are numbered among the chief orators of the occasion. Prizes will be awarded for all creditable exhibits.

Raleigh Independent Officers of the Great Negro State Fair



BERRY O'KELLY, Pres.; J. H. LOVE, Sec.; C. W. HOOVER, Treas.

GET READY FOR THE BIG NEGRO FAIR

All arrangements for the coming Great Negro State Fair are assuming definite shape with the happy prospect of the biggest and best Fair yet held. Crops are bountiful and prices are up. The people are in high spirit and everywhere we go are promising themselves a high time at the Fair. There is no question as to the big crowd and the splendid exhibit. But we want everybody to come and see and enjoy.

COMMUNITY FAIR—EXHIBITS TO BE SENT TO THE GREAT NEGRO STATE FAIR

Community Fairs are being held all over the State and our people are taking a deep interest in them. In several of the counties several of these Fairs are to be held and the people are making great preparations for them. They are doing much good. Industry and enterprise are being stimulated and ambition for excellence is being instilled. We had planned

for such a Fair at the Berry O'Kelly Training School at Method and would have carried such plans into effect had there been sufficient co-operative spirit. These Fairs are supported by an appropriation from the State Department of Agriculture where the amount given is duplicated by the people of the community.

From the following it will be seen that the Negroes of Wilmington will hold their Fair October 15 and will send their best exhibits on to Raleigh.

Wake County, should wake up.

(From the Home News.)

AGRICULTURAL AND INDUSTRIAL FAIR

The second annual and Industrial Fair will be held here during the week of October 15th, under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A., supported by a board of directors composed of some of the prominent men of the city. The committee of arrangements hope to make the fair this year more elaborate than that of last year. Plans and names of officers will be published next week. Prizes will be offered for the following

exhibits:

The best hand embroidery, best crochet, best knitting, best sewing, best laundering, best bead work, best home-made bread, pies, cakes, candies, buns, doughnuts, cheese straws, best salads, best preserves and jellies, best canned tomatoes, beans, okra, potatoes, corn, best kraut, best salad dressing, best hand made rug or rag carpet, best sofa pillow, piano scarf, best one dozen ears of corn raised in the city by one person, best essay of not less than 250 words on subject, "Conervation of Food Stuffs and What It Means," best drawings and paintings and other features to be named later.

After the fair here the committee from the Y. M. C. A. will leave for Raleigh the following week to attend the Negro State Fair, taking with them the best exhibits from here.

Let everybody get busy and prepare something.

CHIEF JUSTICE GRANTS SUPERSEDEAS ORDER IN NEGRO STATE FAIR CASE

Eugene B. Gary, chief justice of the supreme court, granted an order of supersedeas and staying proceedings yesterday in the case of Joel H. Jackson, stockholder of the South Carolina Colored State Fair association, etc., plaintiff, vs. South Carolina Colored State Fair Association et al, respondents. The plaintiff was recently granted an interlocutory injunction in circuit court by Judge Smith and thereafter he amended his complaint and moved before Judge Puerifoy for appointment of a receiver and for continuance of the injunction. Judge Puerifoy denied the motion and dissolved the order of injunction granted by Judge Smith. The plaintiff then appealed to the supreme court. The order of the chief justice requires that he give bond in the sum of \$500.

Jackson brought the action against the fair association to secure an accounting of funds.

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THE WESTERN N. C. INDUSTRIAL FAIR

MANY VISITORS-FINE DISPLAY- INSTRUCTIVE

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Patriotic Sentiment

With Greensboro as our objective we left Raleigh on the 4:05 westbound Southern train Tuesday last week to attend the Western North Carolina Fair which was held at the A. & T. College opening on the 20th. Many ministers of the A. M. church from this city and section and some from the Eastern Conference, were passengers going to Hillsboro to attend the annual session of the North Carolina Conference. Among these we were pleased to meet Dr. A. J. Wilson, former pastor of St. Paul church, this city, and who has just completed five years service as pastor of St. Stephens church Wilmington.

We were delighted to have his companionship as far as Hillsboro. It awakened many pleasant memories of his successful pastorage in this city and of his general uplifting influence in the community. It is always our pleasure to be able to speak of a minister not only as being of a special service to his particular church and denomination, but as a progressive factor in community life. Such men are of real worth.

We arrived at Greensboro on minute time, were met at the station by Prof. C. B. Reid, and soon found ourselves comfortably lodged. Tuesday was opening day of the Fair and the opening address was delivered by Judge Jeter C. Pritchard who spoke upon industrial progress, thrift, the war and its ultimate consequences. He paid a fitting tribute to the

allity of the Negro and urged his continued support of the Government. Indeed, service and patriotism was the dominating spirit of the occasion throughout.

But before speaking more in detail of the Fair we desire to record a few

Impressions of Greensboro

We have known Greensboro "from the time whereof our memory runneth not to the contrary." We have passed it divers times and on many occasions have been a visitor in its hospitable homes. We have known her people, white and colored, during all the years of our active life. We have always held them in high esteem for their many noble qualities of head and heart. We have always held the opinion that no other city in the State, or in any State, for that matter, could boast of a higher type of citizenship. Among these, of both races, we have been fortunate in being able to number some of our warmest friends. Despite all this we frankly confess that we have not known Greensboro until now. And for this we are indebted to the thoughtful kindness of Dr. J. B. Dudley, President of A. & T. College, Wednesday morning, bright and early, he called for us, took us over the College grounds, through its workshops and classrooms and over to the farm. Of these we shall speak later.

on. He then gave us an automobile drive through the Cone estate, to Proximity and Revolution, two thriving mill towns just outside the corporate limits of the city. These are towns in the true sense of that term, having drug stores, mercantile houses, post offices, moving picture theatres, hotels, Y. M. C. A. buildings, schools, parks, and a population of perhaps 10,000 people. The mills are the largest of their kind in the world. The homes of the operatives are carefully constructed having all the accessories of city life; the streets and

drive-ways are well laid off and are kept in good condition; the churches are modern in architecture and equipment; and all the people are busy and seem contented. Not an idler was in evidence anywhere. From here we were taken to the Guilford Battle Ground, back to the Country Club, to the State College for Women, and back to the A. & T. College.

The tour was a delightful one and enabled us to see just what Greensboro is and why she grows so loud. The Negroes of the city own many nice homes, are engaged in a number of prosperous business enterprises and appear to be doing well. Dr. W. L. McNair, druggist, and Mr. Wesley Emerson, barber, placed us under many obligations for etc.

The Gate City and are ever ready to offer the "glad hand."

The Fair.

The Fair was purely and wholly educational. There were no midway shows, no free attractions, no races, no gate admission. Everything was free, the design being to arouse and increase interest in higher aims, better life, and better living. The two outstanding features were the addresses and the exhibits. The addresses took the form of lectures and had the advantage of being delivered in the school auditorium. They were all well conceived, well delivered, and listened to with eager interest. The impression produced was good and will yield rich and abundant fruitage. As before stated, the opening address was delivered by Judge J. C. Pritchard Tuesday afternoon the 20th. His effort was in his best rein and is highly commended by all who were so fortunate as to hear him.

At 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon the student body of A. & T. College and a large number of visitors assembled in the College Auditorium and listened to addresses by President Dudley, the Editor of the Independent and Prof. W. B. Windsor, of Gal 2 Bennet College.

Thursday at 2 o'clock, p. m., Prof. J. D. Wray, State Agent of the Negro Boys Corn Club spoke. He was introduced by Dr. Dudley as an alumnus of the A. & T. College who is now pointing the Negro boys of the

state the way of limitless possibilities. Prof. Wray stated that, at no time in the history of the country, had there been such a demand for improved agricultural methods. Not only is the war operating to make this necessary but the spirit of the age demands it. "I have nothing to say against other forms of honest labor," he said, "but I am trying to stress and urge that form which tends most to manliness and independent life. You should not be content to occupy the position of mere dependents either in thought or action." Mr. Wray stated as his subject—"North Carolina Corn Club Work and the Lesson It Is Intended to Teach." He spoke of intensive farming, one crop, diversification, food supplies, money crops

effective service under such conditions. He made a splendid plea for vocational training. Dr. Trigg was followed by Dr. J. G. Walker, Principal of Percy Street school, who made an eloquent plea for earnest work, earnest workers and a general advance of the race. He pictured in glowing terms the opportunity for service that the great world-war has opened to the Negro and urged that he do his full part.

Dr. Dudley followed in an address giving his hearty endorsement to the sentiments the speakers had so forcefully urged and expressing the conviction that these addresses would result in great good.

Foot Ball Game.

At 4 o'clock an exciting foot ball game took place on the athletic field between Shaw University and the A. & T. teams, resulting in a victory for A. & T. the score being 7 to 0.

In the evening at 8 o'clock the Literary Society of the College held its weekly meeting and carried out an interesting program after which the time was given to a social in honor of the visiting foot ball team.

The Exhibits

An inspection of the exhibits revealed the fact that they were of a really superior quality and would do credit to any people in any show. They included displays from the High Point Normal and Industrial School; the city Graded Schools; the Boys Corn Club; the A. & T. College; and individual exhibits. The exhibits of canned goods, preserves and jellies were as fine as we ever saw. The farm products gave evidence on intelligent culture improved methods and good seed selection. The needle work was of high quality. We were especially attracted to some specimens of embroidery, crocheting and plain sewing. Bee culture is now one of the industries being taught at the A. & T. and a live hive was on exhibition.

Mr. Jas. L. Erwin of Greensboro had on exhibition a model cotton chopper for which he has obtained a patent. When placed on the market it will no doubt revolutionize cotton chopping. The mechanical display of the A. & T. College was a Fair in itself. It included specimens of work along all

Friday, the 23rd. was Educational Day. All the schools of the city and the two colleges—Immanuel and Bennett—suspended exercises and turned out in a body. It was the big day of the fair. The auditorium was crowded at 2:00 p. m. when President Dudley introduced Dr. Frank Trigg, President of Bennett College, as the first speaker on the program. Dr. Trigg spoke of our Educational facilities and to what extent we were taking advantage of them. He said that there were 697,843 Negroes in the state and that 169,034 or 25 per cent were of school age. He said that 83 per cent of the Negroes of the state reside in the country and that, therefore, the education of the Negro should be of a kind that will best fit him for his environment and the life he is to live. That the country Negro should be trained for efficiency in the work of country life which is principally agricultural. The mechanical display of the A. & T. College was a Fair in itself. It included specimens of work along all

the lines of its activities and they were excellent. This display would have appeared to advantage in a World's Fair. Altogether the exhibit equalled, if it did not surpass, that of the State Negro Fair.

There were about 2500 visitors in attendance and all seemed delighted.

Before closing this division of our notes we desire to say that the dominant note of all the speeches, and the pervading spirit of the College and of the occasion was that of patriotism. Our country and its fate in the present struggle give anxious thought and deep solicitude to all our people. Many A. & T. boys are now at the camps under the selective draft while others have been awarded Commissions. There are daily drills.

The Great Negro Fair of

last week was a crowning success. The weather was ideal. The crowds were immense. The exhibits, though not so large and so varied as they should have been, were, upon the whole, good. Special mention should be made of the displays of the Wake Negro farmers. Mr. Thos. H. Wilcox, of Method, put in a most excellent show of farm products embracing everything raised on a well cultivated farm. No Negro farmer in the State, perhaps, is attracting larger and more deserved attention. He does not go at things haphazard, but is a diligent student of agriculture and proceeds upon scientific principles. He is careful in seed selection, always getting the best, prepares his soil with care, cultivates thoroughly and reaps results. He took the blue ribbon on nearly all of his exhibits.

Mr. Ed. Peebles, the veteran of House Creek Township, again carried off the prize for the largest display. Mr. Peebles is one of our best and most progressive farmers

and his displays would appear to advantage in any collection of the best farm products.

Mr. A. R. Green, of Morrisville, had on hand a specially fine exhibit of bright tobacco and other products.

Mr. A. A. Anderson, of Mark's Creek, is a young farmer who has taken over his father's great farming interest since his death in a wreck last year on the Norfolk Southern railroad. His display was exceptionally fine and won many first premiums.

St. Augustine's School had a large display of farm products raised on the school farm and came in for many compliments.

Mr. Manuel Smith of Wake had a fine exhibit which drew attention.

The county school exhibits embraced those of Wake, Guilford, Forsythe and Halifax. Wake took first premium and Guilford second.

The school exhibit of St. Augustine's was rarely good. It showed specimens of work in penmanship, spelling, grammar, geography, physiology, drawing, arithmetic, history—in fact in all branches from the primary grade of its practice school to the most advanced. Also a splendid exhibit of industrial work which was specially fine. In this was a beautiful handmade set of furniture that attracted the attention of all.

Shaw University had an exhibit but not so large as that of last year which was one of the most creditable ever brought out at any of our fairs.

The Boy's Corn Club had specimens of their work which reflected great credit

upon their efforts at increased production.

Harmon Peebles, son of Mr. Ed. Peebles, again takes the \$50.00 scholarship in the A. & T. College for the best yield. He averaged 104 bushels to acre and raised it at an average cost of 22 cents per bushel.

Roosevelt Davis, of Guilford, took the sweep stake prize of \$21.00, and Charlie Stenson, of Green, the second of \$13.00.

Of course there was disappointment in the inability of Governor Bickett to speak to the people. The promise of his appearance had filled all with great expectations. His engagements in the Liberty Bond campaign were so pressing that his absence was unavoidable. However, he was ably represented by Dr. D. H. Hill, of the Counsel of War Defense, who delivered a masterly address which was listened to attentively and heartily applauded. He was followed by Col. W. A. Graham, Commissioner of Agriculture, who spoke words of cheer and encouragement.

Altogether the Fair of 1917 was a good one and a great financial success.

NEGRO STATE FAIR TO BE HERE NEXT WEEK
PRESIDENT REDMOND ANNOUNCES THAT EXPOSITION WILL BE WORTH WHILE.

According to Dr. S. D. Redmond, president of the Mississippi Negro State Fair, the fourth annual exposition to be held under the auspices of that organization bids fair to outstrip all former efforts in arrangement,

quantity and quality of products to be shown. The dates selected will be Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of next week, October 30 and 31 and November 1, the fair to be opened with the usual interesting extended parade of school children, students and adult workers for the general advancement and uplift.

In the same proportion that the result of the season's work among the white people and the population generally, exceeds all previous records, will be shown the advance made by the negroes. The annual fair has been to them a great and useful object lesson, and the successes achieved by a comparatively few during the past three years have been an inspiration to the many.

After the parade a suitable program of exercises by way of opening will be observed at the grand stand, beginning at 11 o'clock, with Dr. Redmond as master of ceremonies. The principal speeches will be delivered by Perry W. Howard, former president of the association, and one of the most gifted and far-seeing negroes in Mississippi, and by Dr. J. L. Wilson, of New Orleans, a well-known platform lecturer.

Also on the program are scheduled addresses by J. E. Ruff, United States government demonstration agent in South Mississippi, and Hugh L. Hopper, assistant demonstration agent.

Laurence C. Jones, the noted founder of Piney Woods School of country life, at Braxton, President L. J. Rowan, of Alcorn College, Prof. J. E. Johnson of Prentiss, W. H. Braxton of Clarksdale, and other race leaders will fill out an altogether interesting and well-built platform or program.

As stated by President Redmond, the object of their enterprise is purely demonstration of possibilities and opportunities and for its educational value has in fact, never paid expenses actually incurred, and is in no way intended as a source of profit, and the men behind it have had to make up deficits each year, so far. If, however, the exposition has had the effect of helping any of the members of the race to meet the conditions now confronting the country, the men who have staged the Mississippi Negro State Fair feel fully justified and compensated for their experience, whatever what the cost to them as individuals might be.

NEGRO STATE FAIR TO BEGIN MONDAY

Progress of Race Will Be Shown in Exhibits.

MANY AMUSEMENTS

Program for Week Has Been Arranged—Exhibits Here and Will Be in Position Monday.

OCTOBER 27, 1917
The 11th annual Negro State Fair of South Carolina will open its gates Monday morning, October 29, at the State fair grounds at 9 o'clock. Already many agricultural and live stock exhibits have reached Columbia

in readiness to be placed in the siding at the fair grounds. Monday will be largely taken up with placing exhibits and the meeting of the executive committee at the administration building.

Tuesday is secret order day. In the early morning will be the horse show in the arena, the opening of the big midway, the judging of live stock and a parade by several orders of secret societies. In the afternoon a football game will take place between Florida and South Carolina negroes at Camp Jackson at 2 o'clock.

At 11 o'clock Wednesday M. A. Evans, M. D., president of the South Carolina Negro Health Association, will deliver sanitary lectures at the main building. The annual game of football between Biddle University, Charlotte, and Benedict College, Columbia, will be at noon. At 2 o'clock the race track will be open for horse race.

Wednesday night the annual election of the officers of the fair association will take place at Zion Church on Washington Street.

Thursday is educational day and it is expected that several speakers will attend the fair to talk good conservation to the negroes. This matter has been called at the attention of the State Council of Defense. At noon will be the annual game of football between the State Colored Normal and Industrial College, Orangeburg, and Allen University, Columbia. At night is the annual State ball.

Friday is farmers' day. Benj. F. Hubert, editor of The Palmetto Farmer, Orangeburg, one of the two negro farm papers in the South, will conduct a conference at the fair. At 2 o'clock a football game between the State Colored College, Orangeburg, and Howard High School, Columbia.

Saturday there will be a football game between Allen University and soldiers at Camp Jackson at 2 o'clock. It is expected that the Saturday game of football will be very interesting, as many of the men on the soldiers' team are from Hampton, Benedict, Morehouse, Shaw, Allen, Howard, Claflin and other negro colleges of note. This has been arranged by Walter Aiken, physical director of the Y. M. C. A. at Camp Jackson among negroes. Aiken is himself a Hampton man and a great football star. Seymour Carroll, director of the department of athletics of the fair, states that good reports have been received from all of the schools that they have splendid teams.

Many amusements have been planned for the negro soldiers who will attend the fair and their friends, not only will they see the negro in agriculture, in live stock, in horse races, football games, boys' and girls' corn clubs, in hospital booths, dancing at the fair but many private attractions as one of the largest midways that the negro fair has even had will be seen this year.

John H. Goodwin, M. D., president, has given the white fair this week careful study and expects to gain from the experience in the fair of his race. R. W. Westberry, secretary, of Sumter moved his office here several weeks ago and said last night that everything is well under way for the most successful fair among the negroes.

The negroes have held a number of successful fairs. They invite each year white people to see for themselves the progress the race is making. The founder and first president is Richard Carroll of Columbia, who will have a humane booth in the interest of "kindness to dumb animals."

MORRISTOWN POULTRY

FANCIER GETS FIVE YEARS

The new fair at Morristown, N. J., Jan. 22.—At the poultry exhibition in Wanamaker Hall last week, Mr. Norman Banks, of Evergreen avenue, was awarded five prizes for his fine birds, the largest number of prizes to be won by any individual at any exhibit here.

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NEGROES TO HAVE NOTABLE DISPLAY CENTENNIAL WEEK

OCTOBER 7, 1917

The colored peoples exposition and fair are to be features of the centennial celebration this week. Those who are advised of its plans and scope declare that the exhibits will be larger and finer and the exposition on a much bigger scale than ever in the past.

The exposition will be staged on North Ninth between F and H streets which will be elaborately decorated and devoted to the uses of the exposition. The exhibits will be displayed in Josenberger's and Rowell's halls, in the former building occupying both floors. An earnest invitation is extended to the white people to visit the exhibit, that they may thus be assured of a new appreciation of the work of the colored people.

The exhibits will open Monday morning and the first of the week's series of programs will be presented Monday night. That program will be opened by address by members of the city administration and response in behalf of the colored people by Prof. Vinegar of the faculty of the branch normal at Pine Bluff. There will also be musical and literary features.

Tuesday night a fine school program will be given. In each of the colored churches, a nominee for exposition queen has been presented and the queen contest will conclude Wednesday night, when the successful candidate will be crowned queen.

Thursday will be parade day in which the schools, church, social and business enterprises of the colored people will figure in an attractive way. Friday will be carnival night. Saturday awards will be made and the exposition forces will participate in the grand finale of the centennial celebration.

NEGRO FAIR OPENS WITH BIG CROWDS

With great crowds of colored people here for the event, the negro county fair was opened Thursday morning at the grounds of the Golden Belt Fair Association. Fitting exercises were held to start off the big show, and these were attended by many negroes.

The exhibits are in place in the exhibit hall, and include agricultural products from the farms of colored men in the county, and also exhibits of the colored schools, many of which are represented in the big

Amusements have been provided for the visitors, although not in as great volume as was the case last week for the Golden Belt Fair. One of the chief events are the races.

The fair will last through Saturday, making three days in all. Officials of the association believe they will meet with at least as great success as they had last year.

LIVE STOCK SHOW TO FEATURE NEGRO INTEREST

NEW ORLEANS LA ITEM
JULY 1, 1917
Date moved up to November 10 to Accommodate National Exhibitors

The National Farm and Live Stock show will be held in New Orleans November 10 to 19, instead of the original later date. The change is made at the request of live stock exhibitors who claim that it would discommode them to rest up their herds for such a long time between shows and that the late date would not permit them to reach the International show on time.

State departments and parish exhibitors who desired the original time because it would give them more time to transfer their exhibits from the state fair at Shreveport, have agreed to abide by the change, according to I. B. Rennyson, manager of the show.

The show's duration this year will be 10 days instead of nine, it being decided to devote one day to the special interests of colored people in Louisiana and surrounding states. President J. S. Clark, of the Southern university at Baton Rouge, has agreed to organize an exhibit illustrating the educational, industrial and agricultural progress of his race in this state. He has already asked for 1800 square feet of space and will probably find need for more. The extra day is expected to prove very important because of the insistence by leaders, among both white and blacks, that the future welfare of the negro is most bound up with the South and especially with the sugar and cotton sections.

Professor Hugh G. Van Pelt of Waterloo, Iowa, a factor in the American dairy world who has done as much for the dairy cattle cause in Louisiana as any man in the country, has consented to officiate here. Walter A. Williams, Marlow, Oklahoma, who has developed grand champions of the Duroc breed of swine and is an acknowledged authority, will be the judge of the swine department. John C. Burns, head of the beef cattle department of Agricultural & Mechanical college Texas, will be beef judge.

UNTY NEGROES TO HAVE FAIR EXHIBIT

The Negroes of Harnett County under the leadership of Prof. Smith, Principal of the colored schools, will have an unusually large and creditable exhibit at the Cape Fear Fair to

be held in Fayetteville late in October.

One day of the fair will be given entirely over to the colored people. Prof. Smith, who is secretary of the colored department, is working hard to have the several counties in the Cape Fear section make as good a showing as possible.

Professor Smith is soliciting funds for prizes only from colored people. The prizes donated will be given to exhibitors in the counties in which the donor lives.

ATTRACTIVE PROGRAM ARRANGED FOR THE TIDEWATER FAIR

The four days of the Tidewater Agricultural Fair to be held at Suffolk October 23, 24, 25 and 26 will be crowded with big events. October 23rd is Farmer's day and there will be addresses by State Demonstrator John B. Pierce and others.

The second day, October 24th is to be "Health Day." Dr. Furgerson of Richmond; Dr. Byrd of Norfolk; Miss Agnes Randolph of the Virginia Anti-Tuberculosis Association and Hon. S. E. Everitte are among the speakers.

Educational Day occurs Thursday, the 25th. There is a splendid list of speakers including Archdeacon Russell, Prof. W. T. B. Williams, J. Thos. Newsome and Hon. John B. Pinner.

Friday, the 26th is Women's Day. Nannie H. Burroughs, America's most famous woman orator is the principal speaker.

Speaking will take place daily at 10:00 o'clock from the grand stand. Races will begin each day at 2:00 o'clock.

FAST HORSES WILL COMPETE IN NORFOLK RACES OCTOBER 15-17

Some of the best horses in Virginia and North Carolina will start in the races to be held in Norfolk October 15, 16 and 17 under the auspices of the Norfolk Jockey Club at Mariner's Track.

Monday, October 15th there will be County race for a purse of \$50.00 and a 2-30 trot for a purse of \$75.00. Tuesday the features are a 2-25 pace purse \$75.00 and free-for-all trot or pace purse \$75.00. Wednesday the 2-1 pacers will compete for a \$75.00 purse and the 2-40s mixed will race for \$50.00 purse. Every detail for the

success of the races is being arranged by Mr. D. W. Lee, of Suffolk, racing secretary, and his associates, Messrs. W. H. Crocker, Chas. Locker and W. H. Land.

After the Norfolk races the horses will go to Suffolk where they will compete in the races at the Suffolk Fair.

NEGROES HERE FOR THEIR ANNUAL FAIR

JACKSON, MISS. NEWS
OCTOBER 31, 1917

Good Crowds Watch Parade — Farm Products Display Is An Excellent One.

The fourth annual fair and exposition of the Mississippi Negro State Fair Association, was opened today, under the most favorable auspices. Although the weather was cold and penetrating, with a keen north wind playing across the country, and conditions not as favorable to the attendance of large crowds as the records of the past show, there was a fine crowd, the negroes coming from all parts of the state, especially those attending the colleges and universities maintained for the members of that race, as well as the dozen or more industrial training schools scattered about the state.

So far as the display of agricultural and live stock exhibits is concerned, the display was the most extensive and interesting, as well as varied since the negro organization was started. In fact the actual evidence as presented by the arrangement in the agricultural building, indicates that the white farmers the past week had "nothing on the negroes."

The fair was opened by the usual creditable and extended parade which was witnessed by throngs who crowded the streets throughout the line of march. This was made up of hundreds of children from the grammar schools of Jackson, representing all grades, followed by those students of maturer years and grading.

While the opening parade was not as highly staged or pretentious as those which have preceded it, it was more representative of the sober and serious thought which pervades the race at this time. The industrial life and its possibilities were demonstrated to good effect, especially that pertaining to the rural community life and spirit which is manifested.

Following the parade, the majority of the negroes who had lined the streets to witness the opener, made their way to the grounds, to enjoy themselves as only negroes out for a holiday can.

50 WARREN ST. NEW YORK

NEGRO PRIZE WINNERS.

Best ten ears of Corn: First, Theodore McKindra; Second, Booker Sullivan; Third, S. F. Flemings, Jr.

Best 10 Bolls Cotton: First, M. L. Huggins; Second, C. Vaughn, Jr.; Third, J. C. White.

Best Peanuts: First and Second, M. D. Huggins; Third, William Moore.

Dried Fruits: First, Rosella Rice; Second, Caroline McNeely.

Pie Melon: J. S. Simpson.

Beeswax: M. L. Huggins.

Pepper: Rosella Rice.

Broom Sage: J. G. Shumate.

Wheat: First, A. Z. Mitchell; Second, H. McNeely; Third, J. H. Moore.

NEGRO FAIR OPENS TODAY.

The State Fair for Negroes Will Have Three Days of Good Exhibits.

The seventh annual exposition of the Colored Tri-State Fair Association will open this morning at the Tri-State fair grounds. The negroes have arranged an exceptionally good fair this year, including horse and automobile races. Farm exhibits from several states will be shown. Demonstrations in manual training, domestic science and canning will be featured at the fair, as it is the object of this fair to better equip the negroes to do their work.

Miss Mary M. Solari, the gifted Memphis artist, who has consented to have her art and curio collection remain on exhibition at the negro fair, will deliver a lecture at the fair this afternoon on "Some Events in the History of Italy." Other lecturers at the fair will be W. T. Hampton of Nashville, T. J. Johnson of Woodstock Training School and M. J. Hale of the Colored State Normal School, and Roscoe Simmons.

Today is Arkansas Day at the fair, and there will be competitive drills between degree teams of different lodges. There will be horse and automobile racing this afternoon, and a display of fireworks tonight.

Friday is Tennessee Day and Children's Day. The Tri-State Better Farmers' Association will open at 1 p.m.

Saturday is Mississippi Day, and the feature of the programme will be demonstrations in agriculture and domestic science.

WEBSTER THORNTON MAKES BIG DEAL

Tribune 7/14/17
Athens, Ga., July 6. Webster Thornton, a young colored farmer living at Point Peter, about fifty miles from here, sold, last week through local cotton brokers, fifty bales of cotton at 26 cents a pound. Mr. Thornton owns and manages a farm of 500 acres of rich Georgia land and is liked by both white and colored people in this section. He is formerly a student at Atlanta University.

MANY ARKANSAS

NEGROES AT FAIR

Arkansas day at the negro exposition, which opened today at the Tri-State fair grounds, saw many Arkansas negroes present, as well as other visitors. The fair will continue thru Saturday.

Agricultural products in abundance have been placed on exhibit and rivalry is keen for prizes. Manual and domestic arts exhibits have been opened also.

Mrs. Mary M. Solari, artist of Memphis, will deliver a lecture at the fair today. Her exhibits for the white fair last week are still open. Tomorrow is Tennessee and children's day. The fair will be featured by horse and auto races. Fireworks will be displayed at night.

RACES TO HOLD FAIR

TOGETHER IN VIRGINIA

LAWRENCEVILLE, Va.—At the St. Paul's Farmers' Conference recently held here, a resolution was unanimously adopted to accept the proposition of the white fair association to co-operate in the movement to hold one fair for both white and colored people instead of giving two separate fairs as heretofore. FARMERS OF TENNESSEE CLOSE IMPORTANT CONFERENCE.

Special to The Freeman.

ROSEVILLE, Tenn., April 12.—The farmers of McMinn and adjoining counties have just closed an important conference, prizes being awarded for live stock, canned goods, cooking and sewing. The fair, which was a success, was held at the Wallace grammar school. Among those to take part were Prof. White of the State Normal, Nashville, Tenn.; Prof. H. L. Wallace, Knoxville College, and Miss M. O. Myers and Miss Moore, of the University of Tennessee.

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Macon, Ga.

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NEGRO FAIR HELD IN WORTH

Large Gathering of Negroes Addressed by Educators of Prominence.

SYLVESTER, March 17.—The sixth Worth county negro fair was held here yesterday at Oak Hill institute.

A very large gathering of negro teachers, pupils and patrons from forty-five schools in all parts of the county was addressed by George D. Goddard, state supervisor of the Jeans and Slater funds. B. L. Jones, county superintendent of schools; I. V. Green, county supervisor; Rev. C. P. Hobbs and President A. B. Cooper, Payne college, at Cuthbert.

The industrial exhibits from the various schools showed much work and progress on the part of both teachers and students.

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NEGRO DAY AT FAIR BOOSTED.

Business League Elects Walter L. Cohen President.

The local Negro Business League held a special meeting at the Central Church Saturday evening to elect a president in place of A. DeJole, Sr., and to pass appropriate resolutions in his memory. Walter L. Cohen was elected to fill the unexpired term. The following committee was appointed to draft resolutions on the death of Mr. DeJole: W. M. Robinson, Rev. H. H. Dunn and A. Turner.

Negro day at the National Live Stock Show was discussed, and the following committee, with the chairman, was appointed to wait on General Manager I. B. Rennyson for the purpose of co-operating: Professor A. Lawless, Jr., Rev. H. H. Dunn and Thomas A. Carr.

The league voted to hold a regular weekly meeting to stimulate interest in negro day at the fair.

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OCTOBER 3, 1917

The premium list of the Central Colored Peoples Fair to be held in Dublin the week beginning November 5th has just been issued by Business Manager Newsome. This premium list is one of the most complete ever issued by the colored people in this section and shows unusual development on the part of the colored race in Laurens county. The proposed colored fair this year should be a good one and will undoubtedly result in much good.

MEMPHIS, TENN. APPEAL

SEPTEMBER 30, 1917

NEGRO FAIR TO OPEN.

Tri-State Colored Exposition Starts on Oct. 4 With Prospects of Success.

The seventh annual Colored Tri-State Fair will open on next Thursday and will continue for three days. The fair will be at the Tri-State fair grounds, and there is every indication that it will be more than its usual success.

The managers of the negro fair have secured a large number of farm exhibits. There will be a farmers' convention on Oct. 5 and 6 which will be of great benefit to the negro farmers.

Displays of manual training and domestic science will be seen, and there will be demonstrations in home economics and canning. Some interesting and exciting horse races have been placed on the programme.

LITTLE ROCK ARK GAZETTE

OCTOBER 13, 1917

NEGRO FAIR HELD.

Special to the Gazette.

Texarkana, Oct. 12.—The Four States (negro) fair opened Wednesday at the negro park on Rose Hill with a large attendance. The parade, which preceded the opening, was led by the agricultural and industrial products is very creditable. Some fine hogs also are among the exhibits.

Central Negro Fair.

Dublin, Ga., November 6.—(Special.) The Central Colored People's fair is now in full swing here on the grounds of the Twelfth District fair, and negroes from all over this section are coming in to see the displays. This is the second negro fair held here, and a splendid line of exhibits is on display.

For the first time that negroes were permitted to enter the

contests, Mrs. J. E. D. Wood with her classes won nine premiums at the Corn and Tobacco fair in Maysville, Ky. Mrs. Wood is a teacher in the city schools.

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Mr. G. W. Richardson, a Negro, won first prize in the live stock

department of hogs at the Southeast Texas Fair, a white concern,

but open to all contestants.

The Crisis, January, 1917. P. 143

At a recent milk test held in Des Moines, for the state of Iowa,

Mr. Julian O. Winston, a Negro dairyman of Ottumwa, won the highest honor.

The Crisis February, 1917. P. 192.